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MOBILE RADIO CLUB

THE *Blurb*



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PHILMONT CLUB NETS

Nets are conducted weekly. Schedules, frequencies and Net Control Stations are listed on the last page of the BLURB. Nets are informal with control stations serving on a rotating basis.

The Philmont Mobile Radio Club meets on the first Monday of each month at the Franklin Institute, 20th and Parkway, Philadelphia. Meetings begin at 8:00 PM and visitors are always welcome.

IT SEEMS TO ME

Last month I submitted my resignation of the position of Editor to the Board of Directors. My reasons for this action are threefold. First, is a change in my personal schedule which will make it very difficult for me to continue attending every meeting of the club, every month. The second reason is the lack of constructive input from the majority of our membership. This situation leads to a shortage of diversified material which in turn leads to the BLURB becoming a strictly "one-man show".

The third reason for my decision is perhaps the only one which could not be overcome; nor am I sure that it should be. That is the obvious change in the concept of Philmont. We are no longer a mobile radio club, but have become a diversified, general radio club. Contests, DXing, computer technology, and even ATV have become prime areas of interest and discussion while mobile operation as a public service (eg the Philadelphia Distance Run and the canoe race) attracts only a very small percentage of our membership. Simulated Emergency Tests attract no one! While I certainly have no fault to find with the interests of others, I also am aware that these interests in various phases of amateur radio have always existed among our members, but were largely kept separate from Philmont activities. Since I am basically "mobile oriented" I feel that as Editor I may be guilty of inadvertently treating other areas unfairly in the one focal point of all our club activity, the BLURB.

Since this will be my last "It Seems To Me", I would like to say thanks to the BLURB staff and those in the membership who have been so very supportive during the past 4 years. I am sure that their support will continue, as will mine, to make my successor's job easier.

Tnx es 73

K3KUD



PREZ SEZ

First, I want to thank all the club members that displayed their confidence in me at the December Elections. I take whatever endeavor I'm responsible for very seriously and I'll do my best to live up to your expectations.

What I've always done in my endeavors is to plan my work then work my plan. So here's a little of what I'd like to do and to see happen in the year of 1981.

1. A most aggressive Membership Committee is a very important factor that is needed in order to actively develop membership and through selective growth prevent stagnation within our ranks. We will work hard on this facet.
2. The individual need for recognition and achievement should be more publicized and rewarded. I'd like to see an Awards Committee develop this information and appropriately reward those who have made Philmont what it is today and what it will continue to be in the future.
3. Our Program Committee must be more actively involved in seeking information and interesting programs from sources, ARRL, film libraries, manufacturers, and in contacting local companies for their support and time. Perhaps even to demonstrating their new line of goods for the year.
4. Our nets need your help, both in checking-in and as Net Controls. We must develop more personalization in our nets so that this vital link between us is stronger and is there when, in case of emergency, it is needed. I'm going to ask those of you that have the desire to be Net Control Stations to speak out or wait for my call. I will surely find you and actively seek your help, so if you're shy and really want to help, drop me a line or call me on the repeater and tell me so and Philmont will be the winner.
5. Club Public Relations need to be strengthened and we must actively seek out those of you that can help us in this specialized field. Call me or drop me a QSL card - please.
6. Contests are happening all the time and well I know that our main purpose is mobile communications. But for those of us that can help put Philmont "in the news" a contest using W3TKQ might be a good idea and the right stepping stone. If you have interests here call me at (609) 428-5924 Operators are standing by!
7. Philmont must be nurtured and tended like a garden in order to grow. The Technical Committee tends those weed patches but needs more help than just one man. This is not fair to the man and certainly not fair to the club. So how about it? If you have the capability and will help in sharing your brother's load I ask you to call now - while the operators are on duty. Who knows, maybe a 10-meter FM repeater could come of this.

Those are some of the plans. I have high hopes that your concern for Amateur Radio and your loyalty to the Philmont Mobile Radio Club will help and guide me to bring this program to complete fruition for 1981. I'll be calling on each of you.

73

Jake, AK2I

PHILMONT CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

Jan 1 New Year's Day
Jan 5 General Meeting, Franklin Institute, 8:00 PM
Jan 14 Director's Meeting. Location to be announced.
Jan 26 BLURB folding at W3BBB; 7:15 PM

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MEETING REPORTS

November Director's Meeting: Held at AK2I with 22 members present. In addition to the Minutes and Treasurer's report the following items of business were brought before the Board:

1. K3KUD announced his intention of retiring as Editor of the Blurb effective early in 1981. No replacement has as yet been named.
2. W3BBB reported that additional bonds will be retired with the proceeds of the sale of CommBus equipment.
3. The Collins equipment donated by the estate of W3KN has been installed at W3TKQ. The gear which was removed from the station will be sold at sealed bid auction.
4. A Regency 6-meter transceiver has been installed in MOCOM V in memory of W3KN.
5. W3 AWH announced that all was in readiness for the election and that new directories would be issued at the December meeting.

Our thanks to Lorraine and Jake for their hospitality and the very fine refreshments which followed the meeting.

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December General Meeting: This was the long-awaited election night and 68 members and 11 visitors were on hand to take part in the fun.

After disposing of the necessary business such as Minutes, reports, and introduction of visitors those present were priveleged to hear the candidates explain why they wanted to be elected. The speeches were most touching, very humorous, and almost positively without effect on the outcome.

When the shouting and tumult had died, the officers for 1981 were shown to be:

President: Jake Kovalchek, AK2I
V. Pres: Howard Gilpin, W3SRU
Secretary: Jim Sheckleford, N3ATR
Treasurer: Larry Clifford, W3UY
Directors: Al Hamilton, W3GIF and Carl Vold, W3SGR

After the winners had been named, and the losers had breathed sighs of relief, refreshments were enjoyed by all.

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

Name: Perry Blum, N3AXJ Handle: Perry
Address: 425 W. Raymond St.,
Philadelphia, PA
Occupation: Industrial Engineer
Employer: FMC Corporation
Wife: Marion (no call)
Phone: (H) 324-8926 (B) 225-6000

Recommended by: N3AVE; K3PHC

Name: Dave Merovitz, KA3BFW Handle: Dave
Address: 1216 Friendship St.,
Philadelphia, PA 19111
Occupation: Student
Phone: (H) 745-5034

Recommended by: KA3AMO; KB3IV

Name: Robert F. Field, WA3INW Handle: Bob
Address: 46 Township Line Rd.,
Chelbourne Apts #106
Elkins Park, PA 19117
Occupation: Sales
Employer: Euraeka Company
Phone: (H) 663-1640

Recommended by: W3BBB; W3GIF

Action on the above applications will be taken at the January Director's Meeting. At least one recommender is requested to attend this meeting.

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DIRECTOR'S MEETING DATES

The following is a list of tentative dates for Director's (Midmonth) Meetings. Those wishing to host one of the meetings are requested to contact the President or the Editor.

January 14	April 15	July 15	October 14
February 18	May 13	August 19	November 18
March 18	June 17	September 23	December 16 (AK2I)

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COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 1981

Our Prez, AK2I, has announced the following list of appointments for the coming year. The Audit/Budget Committee is listed in full; all others shown are Chairmen only. If you are interested in serving on one or more of the committees listed, contact the Chairman and make your interest known.

Audit/Budget Committee

Chairman: John, W3AWH
Jim, W3BBB
Larry, W3UY
Ernie, W3DSG
Dick, W3WXC
Howard, W3IGW
Wayne, WB2SZF

Standing Committee Chairmen:

Technical/Repeater	W3BBB
Program	W3SRU
Budget/Audit	W3D\$G
Certificates/Awards	
DX Corner	N3ADI
MOCOM	W3BBB
Welcoming	W3VVS
Membership	W3AWG
Photographer	WB3JUA/K3GBA
Judge of Elections	W3AWH
Directory	W3AWH
Special Events	W3BBB
Social Events	W3IGW
Raffle/Prizes	N3AVE
Refreshments	W3PWG
HR Reports	W3IGW
Publicity	K3KUD
BLURB	

Net Control

Net Director	WB3CMM
2-meters	W3ZPP
10-meters	WB3KAC
75-meters	W3SRU

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YOU KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE A BAD DAY WHEN.....

1. You wake up face down on the pavement.
2. You call Suicide Prevention and they put you on hold.
3. You turn on the news and they're displaying emergency routes out of your city.
4. Your wife wakes up feeling amorous and you have a headache.

from LERC Bulletin

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FOR SALE

Collins 75S1 receiver; 32S1 Transmitter; 312B4 SWR Bridge/Patch; Power Supply.

The above is equipment removed from W3TKQ, the Franklin Institute demonstration station. It has been in continuous for 18 years on a daily basis. The equipment will require work.

Sale to be by sealed bid. Minimum bid is \$400.00. Sale will be as a package only, to the highest bidder. Bids should be mailed to C.R.Spencer, Jr.; 124 Central Ave., North Hills, PA 19038. Purchaser pays any shipping costs.

Bids will be opened January 16, 1981. Results of sale will be published in the BLURB.

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Heath HW-101 w/PS, CW filter, Microphone, and manual. Clean! \$275.00

contact Max Salmansohn, W3JZ
(215) 886-1695

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B&W 5-position coax switch \$ 5.00

Regency Scanner, Model TMR-8H. HF, 8-channel, 125v/12v. Xtals for .03; .88; .79; .97; .64; .52; plus PFD and Montco fire. 35.00

Knight SWR/Power meter, in-line, 1 KW. 5.00
1.8-432 MHz

contact Bob Schmilewske, K3KUD
; 362-6464

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Swap and Shop items are carried on a space available basis for any amateur with club members having priority. All items submitted for publication should be sent to: C.R.Spencer, Jr; 124 Central Ave., North Hills, PA 19038. Do not send to the BLURB Editor. Commercial advertising for sale is not accepted.

NET CONTROL SCHEDULE

<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>80-meters</u>	<u>10-meters</u>	<u>2-meters</u>
4	W3PWG	KB3CT	W3WXC
11	W3AOA	W3GIF	W3AWG
18	W3SGR	WB3KUR	W3PST
25	AK2I	W3KDO	W3ZPP

FEBRUARY

1	W3PWG	KB3CT	W3IGW
8	W3AOA	W3GIF	WB3CMM
15	W3SGR	WB3KUR	W3SRU
22	AK2I	W3KDO	K3PHC

75-meter SSB Net: 3993 kHz, 10:20-10:35 AM NCS as shown
80-meter CW Net: 3610 kHz, 10:30 AM NCS N3WW; Alt. W3RM, AK2I

10-meter AM Net: 29.493MHz, 10:00-10:15 AM NCS K3GBA; Alt. K3HIE
10-meter SSB Net: 29.493MHz, 10:15-10:30 AM NCS as shown

2-meter FM Net: 147.63/03 (W3QV/R) 9:30-10:15 AM NCS as shown
2-meter Code

Practice Net: 147.63/03 (W3QV/R) Tuesday 8:00-9:00 PM NCS AK2I;
Alt. W3ETM

Club Calling Period: Every evening 7:00-7:05 PM 147.63/03 (W3QV/R)

Club 2-meter Simplex Frequency: 147.51 MHz

All Philmont nets are open to all amateurs, members or non-members,
for check-in, passing traffic, or making announcements of interest
to the Club or to amateur radio in general.

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We can always use additional Net Control Stations. If you are
interested in participating contact the Net Control Committee
and make your interest known.

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